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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response the Final Office Action mailed on 07/25/2003, and further to a telephonic interview with Examiner Lee of the United States Patent & Trademark Office which took place on November 18, 2003, we respectfully request entry of the following amendments to the claims of the above-referenced United States patent application, which places the case in *prima facie* condition for allowance.

In addition, a petition for a one-month extension of time for response is hereby made. A check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the fee therefor is attached.

Amendments to the Claims are indicated by the notation "currently amended", "previously amended", "cancelled", or "original" in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

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> FACSIMILE: 703-308-7724 ATTENTION: Examiner John D. Lee

I hereby certify that I am transmitting a <u>cover sheet containing one (1) page</u> and an <u>Amendment after Final Rejection</u> for Application Serial No.: <u>09/909,835</u> containing <u>seven (7)</u> pages to the U.S. Patent Office at 703-<u>308-7724</u> on <u>November 20, 2003</u>.

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